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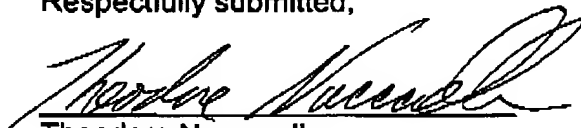
### REMARKS

Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for his kindness and courtesy in conducting a telephonic interview with Applicant's undersigned representative on December 6, 2005.

In that interview, the Examiner and Applicant agreed that Applicant would incorporate the limitations of claim 2 into independent claim 1 and incorporate the limitations of claim 5 into independent claim 4 and that this would likely place this application in form for allowance. Applicant has amended the claims accordingly, with slight modifications to the language of the claims in order to preserve consistent use of verbiage in the claims.

Accordingly, the present application should now be in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned counsel by telephone call in order to further the prosecution of this case in any way.

Respectfully submitted,



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